Atrocities against Women

1007. SHRI SARADA MOHANTY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of rape and atrocities cases on women which have been reported and registered from different States during the last five years;

(b) the number of cases in which conviction has taken place;

(c) the guidelines issued to different States to adopt stringent measures against the culprits so that such cases are reduced; and

(d) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (PROF. M. KAMSON): (a) and (b) The information is contained in the enclosed Annexure. *[See Appendix* 175 Annexure No. 25]. Also, available information on the number of convictions in cases of 'rape' and 'kidnapping of women & girls' is enclosed as statement. *(See* below)

(c) and (d) 'Police' and 'Public Order' are state subjects, hence the registration, investigation, detection and prevention of crime against women is the responsibility of the State Governments/UT Administrations. Steps for checking crime against women is also primarily the responsibility of State Governments. However, the Government has, from time to time, been writing to the concerned State Governments regarding preventive, punitive and rehabilitative measures to be taken in connection with atrocities on women. Apart from implementing a number of development programmes like "Development of Women & Children in Rural Areas" (DWACRA) Programme and Female Literacy Programme, the Govt, of India has been modifying and amending the relevant laws from time to time with a view to making such laws more stringent and punitive in nature.

Repair of bridges in Gujarat

1008. SHRI GOPALSINH G. SOLANKI: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of bridges over National Highways in Gujarat which collapsed during each of the last three years district-wise;

(b) the number of bridges repaired out of them and the time by which the remaining bridges are likely to be repaired; and

(c) the total expenditure likely to be incurred thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI M. RAJASEKARA MURTHY): (a) None.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Seminar on Reforms in Indian Petroleum Industries

1009. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a seminar on "Petroleum industry restructuring sharing global